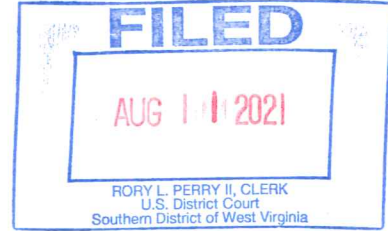


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
BECKLEY GRAND JURY 2021
AUGUST 10, 2021 SESSION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CRIMINAL NO. 2:21-00143
18 U.S.C. § 1366

RICKY SPROUSE

INDICTMENT
(Destruction of an Energy Facility)

The Grand Jury Charges:

From in or around May of 2019, to in or around June of 2019, at or near Boone County and Lincoln County, West Virginia, both within the Southern District of West Virginia, defendant RICKY SPROUSE conspired with other persons, both known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to knowingly and willfully damage and attempt to damage the property of an energy facility, that is, the ERP Fuels Property, also known as the Hobet Coal Mine, and did, in fact, cause in excess of \$100,000 worth of damage and caused a significant interruption and impairment to the function of said energy facility.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1366(a).

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